RESOLUTION No. 2019-001

A RESOLUTION FIXING AND PUBLISHING QUALIFYING FEES FOR OFFICES SUBJECT TO ELECTION IN THE YEAR 2019; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

(Sponsored by Councilmember Rowell)

WHEREAS, O.C.G.A. § 21-2-131(a)(1) provides the governing authority of any county or municipality, not later than February 1 of any year in which a general primary, nonpartisan, or general election is to be held, shall fix and publish a qualifying fee for each office to be filled in the upcoming primary or election;

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of South Fulton, in addition to complying with this code section, intends to adequately notify the citizens of the City in order to encourage public participation in the electoral process;

WHEREAS, the City of South Fulton will conduct the 2019 general election, and runoff election if needed, through the execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) for the provision of election services with Fulton County.

Section 1. ELECTION APPOINTMENT.

- (A) The City Clerk is hereby appointed to act as the election superintendent, qualifying officer, and local filing officer for the 2019 General Election.
- (B) The administrative office of the City of South Fulton, Georgia is hereby declared to be the office of the Election Superintendent for the purpose of candidates qualifying for the offices open for election as provided below.

Section 2. ELECTION DATES AND QUALIFYING FEES.

- (A) The General Election will be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2019, the qualifying fee for City Councilmember seats shall be \$390.00 (3% of the \$13,000.00 annual salary). O.C.G.A. § 21-2-131(1)(a)
- (B) If required by law, the Runoff Election will be held on Tuesday, December 3, 2019.

Section 3. COUNCILMEMBER SEATS OPEN FOR ELECTION AND THE TERMS THEREOF.

The following councilmember seats are open for the 2019 General Election:

- (A) The office of a Councilmember upon the City Council of the City of South Fulton, Georgia, being <u>District 1</u>, which will be elected for a four (4) year term beginning on approximately January 1, 2020 and ending December 31, 2023.
- (B) The office of a Councilmember upon the City Council of the City of South Fulton, Georgia, being **District 3**, which will be elected for a four (4) year term beginning on approximately January 1, 2020 and ending December 31, 2023.
- (C) The office of a Councilmember upon the City Council of the City of South Fulton, Georgia, being **District 5**, which will be elected for a four (4) year term beginning on approximately January 1, 2020 and ending December 31, 2023.
- (D) The office of a Councilmember upon the City Council of the City of South Fulton, Georgia, being <u>District 7</u>, which will be elected for a four (4) year term beginning on approximately January 1, 2020 and ending December 31, 2023.

Section 4. QUALIFICATION PERIOD

The days of such qualifying period shall be five (5) consecutive days, commencing at 8:30 A.M. on the third Monday, August 19, 2019, immediately preceding the general election and shall end no later than 4:30 P.M. on Friday, August 23, 2019. The place of qualifying shall be City Hall for the City of South Fulton, 5440 Fulton Industrial Blvd SW, Atlanta, GA 30336. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-132

Section 5. PUBLISHING QUALIFYING FEES AND QUALIFYING PERIOD

The Election Superintendent shall publish in the legal organ the ad attached hereto as "Exhibit A."

Section 6. LAST DAY FOR VOTER REGISTRATION.

The last day for a person to register and be eligible to vote in the 2019 November General Election and Runoff Election shall be Monday, October 7, 2019. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-224(a)

Section 7. EARLIEST DAY FOR REGISTRARS TO MAIL AN ABSENTEE BALLOT/ADVANCED (ABSENTEE IN-PERSON) VOTING

The earliest day for a registrar to mail an absentee ballot and the earliest day of advanced (absentee in-person) voting for the 2019 November General Election shall be Tuesday, October 15, 2019. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-384(a)(2) and O.C.G.A. § 21-2-385(d)(1)

Section 8. LAST DAY FOR A REGISTRAR TO ISSUE ABSENTEE BALLOTS

The last day for a registrar to issue absentee ballots for the 2019 November General Election and Runoff Election shall be Friday, November 1, 2019. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-384(a)(2)

Section 9.

All resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are repealed.

The foregoing **RESOLUTION No. 2019-001**, adopted on **January 8, 2019**, was offered by Councilmember **Rowell**, who moved its approval. The motion was seconded by Councilmember **khalid**, and being put to a vote, the result was as follows:

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THIS RESOLUTION adopted this 8th day of January 2019. CITY OF SOUTH FULTON, GEORGIA.

WILLIAM "BILL" EDWARDS, MAYOR

ATTEST:

MARK MASSEY, CITY CLERK

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

EMILIA C. WALKER, CITY ATTORNEY

EXHIBIT A

STATE OF GEORGIA CITY OF SOUTH FULTON

Public Notice of Qualifying Fees

Pursuant to O.C.G.A.§ 21-2-131(a)(1), the following qualifying fees were set by the City of South Fulton, Georgia in their January 8, 2019 meeting:

City Councilmember, District 1	\$ 390.00
City Councilmember, District 3	\$ 390.00
City Councilmember, District 5	\$ 390.00
City Councilmember, District 7	\$ 390.00

Public Notice of Qualifying Period

Qualifying for the offices listed above will begin at 8:30 A.M. on the third Monday, August 19, 2019, immediately preceding the general election and shall end no later than 4:30 P.M. on Friday, August 23, 2019. The place of qualifying shall be City Hall for the City of South Fulton, 5440 Fulton Industrial Blvd. SW, Atlanta, GA 30336. O.C.G.A. § 21-2-132

Mark Massey Election Superintendent South Fulton, Georgia